



New Personal Property Assessment Notices

Personal property owners have begun to receive their personal property tax assessment notices. The new notices are considered “File by Exception,” meaning that a personal property owner will only send the notice back to the Commissioner of the Revenue Office if there are changes or additions to be made. If any of the information is incorrect, residents should correct it and mail or fax it to the Commissioner’s Office by **April 17**. Remember, the assessment notices are not bills.

Changes Made in Payment Options

Several changes have also been made regarding the payment of personal property taxes. In past years, personal property taxes could only be paid in one payment and were due by November 15. Beginning this year, citizens have the option of either making one payment for the full amount or paying in two installments. Taxpayers choosing to make one payment must do so by **June 1**.

Those choosing to make installments must make the first payment by **June 1** and the second payment by **December 1**. Personal property tax bills will be mailed in May and November.

No More Scraping Off Decals

Last year, City Council voted to eliminate the vehicle decal. Personal property owners will pay a vehicle license fee but will not receive a decal. The vehicle license fee will be included in the personal property tax bill and must be paid in one payment by **June 1**.

For further information, please contact the Commissioner of Revenue’s Office at 455-3870.

THE CITY OF LYNCHBURG, VIRGINIA
Commissioner of the Revenue
P.O. Box 658
Lynchburg, VA 24505-0858

Account #: 000000
Account Name: DOE, JOHN

2006 Personal Property Return

According to our records you are the owner of the personal property listed below. If the information below is complete and accurate, you **DO NOT** need to return this form. If any of the information printed below is incorrect, such as name, property information, ownership or location, please make the appropriate changes on this form and mail or fax them to the Commissioner of the Revenue by 4/17/2006.

If you own a vehicle in the City of Lynchburg that is not listed on this form please contact the Commissioner’s office immediately at 434-455-3870.

The Commonwealth of Virginia requires verification of all personal use vehicles.
(See reverse side for business use criteria)

A vehicle’s assessment may be reduced if it has high mileage
(See reverse side)

Tax Code	Year Make/Body Description	Vehicle Identification Number	Assessed Value	Date Sold/Moved	Vehicle Use
VH	1996 CHRYSLER LEBARON	XXXXXXXXXXXXXXX	\$ 383		Personal

Tax Code Explanation
AC = Aircraft
BT = Boat
CC = Common Carrier
CV = Motor Vehicle
MH = Manufactured Home
PR = Motor Home
TR = Trailer
TT = Travel Trailer
VH = Vehicle

Return Changes and Corrections ONLY to:
Commissioner of the Revenue
PO Box 658
Lynchburg, VA 24505
or fax to 434-647-1842
Due by 4/17/2006

DOE, JOHN
100 DOE AVE
LYNCHBURG, VA 24505-2805

City of Lynchburg VA - Commissioner of the Revenue - Phone 434-455-3870

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Personal Property Return Legend

Tax Code	Year Make/Body Description	Vehicle Identification Number	Assessed Value	Date Sold/Moved	Vehicle Use	
	Identifies the type of property	If the type of property is a vehicle, this column shows the make, model year of the vehicle and the make and body description of a vehicle, style of a motor vehicle, etc.	This column shows a vehicle’s identification number (VIN) as provided by VA DMV	This column shows the assessed value of the property as determined by the Commissioner of the Revenue	This column indicates the date that the item was sold or moved out of the City of Lynchburg	The Commonwealth of Virginia requires verification of all personal use vehicles. Please see below for business use criteria.

Business Use Criteria

If you can answer YES to any of the following questions, your motor vehicle is considered by State Law to have a business use.

- Is more than 50% of the mileage for the year used as a business expense for Federal Income Tax Purposes OR reimbursed by an employer?
- Is more than 50% of the depreciation associated with the vehicle deducted as a business expense for Federal Income Tax purposes?
- Is the cost of the vehicle expensed pursuant to Section 179 of the Internal Revenue Service Code?
- Is the vehicle leased by an individual and the leasing company pays the tax without reimbursement from the individual?

High Mileage Reduction (Passenger Vehicles Only)

A vehicle assessment may be reduced if the vehicle has high mileage. The reduction is based on actual mileage as of January 1, 2006 (or as of the purchase date if purchased after January 1, 2006). The following chart indicates the minimum mileage necessary to qualify for a high mileage reduction.

To apply for a high mileage reduction:

Year	Miles
2005	20,000
2004	35,000
2003	45,000
2002	60,000
2001	70,000
2000	80,000
1999	100,000
1998	115,000
1997	115,000
1996	130,000

Please forward:
1. a copy of the vehicle state inspection checklist which indicates number of miles.
2. a copy of this notice.

To:
Commissioner of the Revenue
P.O. Box 658
Lynchburg, VA 24505-0858

PERSONAL PROPERTY RETURN
City of Lynchburg VA - Commissioner of the Revenue - Phone 434-455-3870

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DUE DATES:

- April 17**
 - “File by Exception” for Assessment Notices.
- June 1**
 - Full payment or first installment payment for property taxes.
 - Full payment for Vehicle license fee.
- December 1**
 - Second installment payment for property taxes.



Come Home to Lynchburg in 2007

“History Runs Through Us”

- 400 years since the founding of the Jamestown Settlement**
- 250 years since the founding of John Lynch’s Ferry service on the James River**

Join in a year-long celebration of Virginia and Lynchburg history. We encourage you and your organization to host a program, project, or event to spotlight your organization and celebrate our history!

For more information or to schedule a Lynchburg 2007 speaker, call **845-5966** or visit www.DiscoverLynchburg.org for an application.

No club or organization is too small to participate in Lynchburg 2007!

Add your name to the following participants:

Amazement Square
Daughters of the American Revolution
Jones Memorial Library
Legacy Museum of African American History
Lynchburg College
Lynchburg Historical Foundation
Lynchburg Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau
Lynch’s Landing
National D-Day Memorial Foundation
Drs. Clifton and Dorothy Potter
Riverviews Artspace
South River Meeting House
Thomas Jefferson’s Poplar Forest

Sponsored by Lynchburg 2007 Community Program, Lynchburg Regional Convention & Visitors Bureau, City of Lynchburg, and Jamestown 2007.

Library Celebrates 40 Years of Service!

The Lynchburg Public Library is kicking off its 40th anniversary with a new exhibit, “Lynchburg Public Library: Celebrating 40 Years of Service,” in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Human Rights at the Main Library, 2315 Memorial Ave.

The exhibit recognizes the contributions of the diverse group of citizens who, in 1964, joined together to form the Friends of the Public Library. Their goal was to see Lynchburg’ first tax-supported public library established. Prior to this time, public library service was provided by the privately-endowed Jones Memorial Library, but it was restricted to serving only the white community.

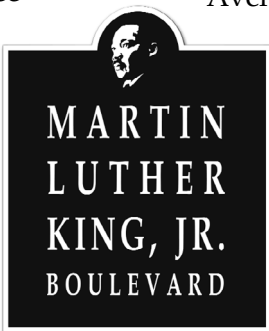
An opening program will be held on **Friday, April 7, at 3:00 p.m.** in the King Center area. A panel of early supporters will share the story of the community-wide effort. Panelists include: Samuel Cardwell, Dr. William Quillian, Mrs. Joan Jones and Elliot Schewel; all were active in the campaign. Additionally, the Rev. Owen Cardwell, one of the first students to integrate E.C. Glass in 1962, will speak about being a teenager in

Lynchburg at that time. The program is sponsored by the Dr. and Mrs. C.H. Lippard Memorial Fund. It is free and open to the public.

A special feature of the program will be a silent auction for the original 12 Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard street signs that were installed along the City’s Fifth Street and Memorial Avenue corridor. The signs were removed and larger signs were later installed. The smaller signs were donated to the Martin Luther King Center for Human Rights for fund raising.

Anyone interested in submitting a bid for one of the signs may do so at the opening program. Those not able to attend the program may submit a bid by completing the bid form below and returning it to either the Main Library at 2315 Memorial Avenue or to the Branch Library at 900 Church Street in City Hall. All bids must be for at least \$200 or higher with increments of at least \$5.

For more information please contact the Lynchburg Public Library at 455-6330.



Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard Street Signs
SILENT AUCTION BID FORM

Please Print

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Bid Amount: \$ _____ (All bids must be at least \$200 or higher in increments of at least \$5)

RETURN FORM TO: Main Library at 2315 Memorial Avenue or Branch Library at 900 Church Street in City Hall

The *Lynchburg Reads* book for 2006 is “Ender’s Game” by Orson Scott Card. The highlight of this spring’s *Lynchburg Reads* will be an appearance by Mr. Card.

- Events planned for Lynchburg Reads are as follows:**
- Tuesday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m.**
Smith Hall, *Randolph-Macon Woman’s College*
Orson Scott Card appearance
 - Monday, April 17 from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m.**
Givens Books, 2236 Lakeside Drive
Discussion of “Ender’s Game”
Please register by calling 385-5027

Here’s a bit about the book. Andrew “Ender” Wiggin thinks he is playing computer-simulated war games; he is, in fact, engaged in something far more desperate. The result of genetic experimentation, Ender may be the military genius that Earth desperately needs in a war against an alien enemy seeking to destroy all human life. The only way to find out is to throw Ender into ever-harsher training, to chip away and find the diamond inside, or destroy him. Ender Wiggin is six years old when it begins. He will grow up fast.

When Orson Scott Card wrote “Ender’s Game” in 1985, the book won both the Hugo and Nebula awards and rose to the top of national bestseller lists. The book has sold more than two million copies. Ender’s Game and its sequels have been equally popular with non-science fiction readers as with science fiction fans. Additionally, the books have proven to be well-liked by teen readers, particularly boys. A movie based on “Ender’s Game” is in production.

The library and many local bookstores will have plenty of copies of Ender’s Game available to area residents. Everyone is invited to participate! For more information, call Candice Michalik at the Lynchburg Public Library, 455-6310.

2006 Parking Permits

CITY OF LYNCHBURG, VA.
RESIDENTIAL PARKING PERMIT

No. **305**

Expires April 15, 2007

Citizens living in a permit parking zone must purchase parking permits for 2006 on or before **April 17, 2006**. Permits may be purchased in City Hall, 900 Church Street, at the Billings & Collections windows, or by mail:

City of Lynchburg
P. O. Box 603
Lynchburg, VA 24505

Each permit is \$3.00 per vehicle, which also includes three visitor passes per household. State license plate numbers are required for each vehicle. If you have questions concerning parking permits, please call Billings & Collections at 455-3850.

New Voting Machine to be on Display

The City is receiving a new handicapped-accessible voting machine for each of the voting precincts. The new machines are being paid for by the federal government under the terms of the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA). The Registrar of Voters will be introducing these machines at various locations around the city this spring, with emphasis on facilities for the elderly. They will also be demonstrating them at each precinct on election day, May 2. The new handicapped-accessible voting machines will be used for the first time to count votes during the June 13, 2006 primary election.

On Thursday, April 6, and Thursday, April 20, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m., staff from the Registrar’s Office will be at City Hall, 900 Church Street, First Floor Lobby, to demonstrate the machine. For more information contact the Registrar of Voters at 847-1609.

